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MEMORANDUM FOR THE SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO THE SECRETARY
OF DEFENSE

Subject: Secretary of Defense's Report for the
Congress (U)

Reference: DJSM-1637-62, dated 26 December 1962

1. It is considered that subparagraph 1 on page 10 is misleading in its original context. Therefore, recommend that the revised paragraph contained in the enclosure be substituted.
2. On page 11, subparagraph 2, it is recommended that in the interest of clarity, the first line be amended as shown on the enclosure.

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ENCLOSURE

CHANGES TO ENCLOSURE TO DJRM-1637-62, 26 December 1962 (U)

1. Page 10, subparagraph 1. Delete and substitute the following:

"1. CINCLANT's original plan did not contemplate the use of nuclear weapons in any Cuban operation. However, when a determination was made that nuclear capable FROG (Free Rocket Over Ground) missiles were present in Cuba, CINCLANT expressed his concern, and proposed to have tactical nuclear weapons readily available in his invasion force. These weapons would be used only in retaliation for the employment of nuclear weapons against US forces. The Joint Chiefs of Staff approved only so much of CINCLANT's proposal that authorized him to take nuclear capable delivery systems (e.g., 8 inch howitzers and Honest John rockets) into Cuba, but did not authorize the introduction into Cuba of nuclear weapons themselves without further JCS approval."

2. Page 11, subparagraph 2. First line, modify as follows:

"2. Secondly, although not originally included in the plan, the 5th Infantry Division"

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